Water crises in NCT of Delhi

2135. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL:
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a huge water crisis is looming large on the NCT of Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to fight this crisis?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) (a) and (b) The Delhi Jal Board (DJB) has informed that the present assessed demand of water is 850 million gallons per day (MGD) and DJB is supplying 675 MGD of water on an average.

(c) With a view to augment the water supply in Delhi, Water Treatment Plant of 140 MGD capacity has been constructed at Sonia Vihar in Trans Yamuna Area. A 40 MGD Water Treatment Plant has also been set up at Nangloi.

Additional Water Treatment plants have been planned at Bawana, Dwarka and Okhla. Construction of parallel lined canal from Munak to Haiderpur Water Tratement Plant has also been taken up.

Problem of underground drainage

2136. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of the magnitude of the problem of coverage of underground drainage in urban and metropolitan cities; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) (a) and (b) On the basis of information furnished by different State Implementing Agencies, at present about 63% of the urban population is reported to have access to the Sewerage & sanitation facilities including low cost sanitation, for which the coverage of Under Ground Sewerage system is 30% and Low cost sanitation and septic tank facilities is 33%. The State-wise details are given in the Statement.